AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1 of the specification, please insert the following paragraph before the paragraph entitled "BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION."

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/397,015, filed July 22, 2002 entitled "VALVE CAGE INSERT" the entire disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

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